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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application on July 22, 2008, in which the three month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to October 22, 2008, reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.